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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

16 JUL 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT : Release of Decompartmented Satellite Derived Information

REFERENCE : Your Memorandum for the Director of Central Intelligence, Subject: Use of Satellite Photography Derived Information in the Automated Intelligence File, dated 24 June 1975

1. This is to inform you of my approval of the recommended modifications in the [] controls on certain decompartmented information derived from photographic satellites as presented in your memorandum of 24 June. I understand that this proposal has the concurrence of the Secretary of Defense.

2. The specific modifications apply only to DIA's Automated Intelligence File and various products based on it such as the Basic Encyclopedia and the Target Data Inventory and are subject to the following conditions:

a. The information involved is that textual and cartographic information derived from satellite photography which may be decompartmented under present guidelines. Photographic prints and transparencies are not included.

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b. Attribution to satellite photography is permitted (explicitly or through inference from the textual or cartographic information); however, no reference will be made to the type of photographic satellite or mission number.

c. The information will be classified SECRET or TOP SECRET and will include the caveat WARNING NOTICE -- SENSITIVE SOURCES AND METHODS INVOLVED in accordance with standing guidelines for decompartmentation.

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3. Having approved these arrangements for the Automated Intelligence File and its products, I believe it appropriate for USIB to consider whether similar authority should be granted to other USIB agencies, including the military departments, and to the SIO's of various commands in the [] program. I have asked the Chairman,

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COMIREX, to prepare modifications to the current decompartmentation guidelines for USIB consideration and approval. If the USIB response is affirmative, I shall discuss it with the Secretary of Defense and the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs before implementation.

~~W. E. Colby~~


W. E. Colby
Director

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FROM : Director, CIA
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CONCUR: 
Deputy Director for Intelligence

15 JUL 1975
Date

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, COMIREX

SUBJECT : Handling of Satellite Derived Photographic Information

1. Reference is the attached letter from the Director, DIA, "Use of Satellite Photography Derived Information in the Automated Intelligence File," dated 24 June 1975.
2. Action has been assigned to the D/DCI/IC for preparation of a DCI response.
3. It is requested you prepare the response with the coordination of the Chairman, Intelligence Information Handling Committee, and the Chairman, Security Committee.
4. An early response for the DCI will be appreciated.

Acting Deputy to the DCI
for the Intelligence Community

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